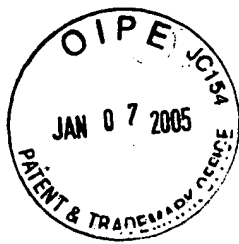


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In re Application of:

YASUO FUKUDA

Application No.: 09/977,318

Filed: October 16, 2001

For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, APPARATUS
THEREFOR AND STORING MEDIUM

Docket No. 03500.015887.

Examiner: Colin M. Larose

Group Art Unit: 2623

Date: January 4, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment
THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 39	MINUS	** 39	= 0	x \$25 \$50	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 8	MINUS	*** 8	= 0	x \$100 \$200	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0.00

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- ☐ Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
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- ☒ Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 4, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The amendment to the specification appears on page 2, amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning at page 3, comments regarding the amendment to Figures 1 and 4-8 appear at page 17, and the Remarks begin at page 18. An Appendix including both drawing replacement sheets and annotated drawing sheets showing the changes to the drawings is attached following page 23.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

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(Name of Attorney for Applicant)

Signature

January 4, 2005

Date of Signature